

Homeowner Permits



Building permits can be secured by the following unlicensed individuals: (PA299 of 1980, Section 2403)

The owner of a property (individual and not a company) for work on any structure on their property if it is going to be for their own use. The dwelling must be occupied by the homeowner or we must receive an affidavit that the homeowner will occupy once finished.

The owner (individual and not a company) of a rental property for maintenance and alteration to the rental property. This does not include additions.

These will be the most common situations that will arise. There are other exceptions in 2403. See the building official if you are challenged.

Plumbing permits can be secured by the following unlicensed individuals: (PA 407, Section 1107)

Installation of his or her own plumbing, building sewer or private sewer in his or her single-family dwelling. The dwelling must be occupied by the homeowner or we must receive an affidavit that the homeowner will occupy once finished.

Mechanical Permits can be secured by the following unlicensed individuals: (PA 407, Section 819)

Owner of a single family dwelling (individual and not a company) for installation of heating and cooling equipment. The dwelling must be occupied by the homeowner or we must receive an affidavit (notarized) that the homeowner will occupy once finished.

Electrical Permits can be secured by the following unlicensed individuals: (PA 407, Section 737)

Installation, alteration and repair of electrical equipment in a single family home and accompanying outbuildings owned and occupied or to be occupied by the individual (not a company). The dwelling must be occupied by the homeowner or we must receive an affidavit that the homeowner will occupy once finished.

Please note: These are the most common instances when work can be done by an unlicensed homeowner. We reserve the right to deny permits to individuals who are not qualified for the proposed work.